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Addie Mae Bartlett Fulton Family Papers. [MS.000269]

Addie Mae Bartlett Fulton was from Nashville, Arkansas. This collection contains correspondence, receipts, diaries, and family history research from 1883-1977.

Agnes McDaniel Loewer Papers. [MS.000147]

Agnes McDaniel Loewer was a leader in numerous professional, civic and social organizations across the state, including the Arkansas Commemorative Commission, which led to the creation of the Old State House Museum. This collection contains correspondence, professional materials, cards, notes, music, and scrapbooks.

Anita Turner Papers. [MS.000221]

Anita Turner belonged to a variety of writing organizations and taught piano and voice. This collection contains correspondence, yearbooks, news clippings, programs, and material pertaining to the organizations to which Turner belonged.

Arkansas Association of Women Lawyers Records. [MS.000218]

The AAWL organized in 1967 and included Arkansas female lawyers, female clerks and deputy clerks of courts and an at-large membership of out-of-state female lawyers who retain membership in the Arkansas Bar. This collection includes correspondence, minutes, notices of meetings and membership lists.

Arkansas World War II Defense Plant Employees Collection. [MS.000396]

The Arkansas Ordnance Plant at Jacksonville built fuses, detonators, and other military ammunition. Many of the workers were female. This collection contains questionnaires, essays, training tests, the "AOP News" and certificates.

Army and Navy Woman's Club Records. [MS.000336]

This organization began as a club for wives of men serving in the military at Camp Pike. Established in 1923, the original membership was limited to wives, mothers, widows, daughters

and sisters of present or former commissioned officers. The organization disbanded in 1981. The collection contains constitutions, correspondence, minutes, news clippings, and photographs.

Barton-Chesshir Family Papers [MS.000339]

The Barton and Chesshir families are connected to Crittenden County, Howard County and St. Francis County. This collection includes correspondence, personal, financial and business papers, printed ephemera, receipts, school records, photographs, diaries, and women's organization material pertaining to female family members.

Bean-Wadsworth Letters. [MG00033]

Helene Wadsworth was born in Marshall County, Mississippi, and lived in Lexa, Arkansas. She married Dr. Bean in 1899 and moved with him to Marianna in 1908. This collection consists of the letters of Helene Wadsworth Bean and Dr. Whitfield Brooks Bean, and letters of other family members, covering the time period from 1892 to 1932.

Browne Family Papers. [MS.000403]

Lida Barret Ross was born on December 14, 1888, in Arkadelphia. She married Horace William Browne and they had two children, Esther and Josephine Sue. This collection contains correspondence, hereditary societies, clubs and associations, family histories, memorabilia, photographs, and scrapbooks.

Charles Hillman Brough Collection. [MS.000487]

Charles Hillman Brough was the 25th Governor of Arkansas, serving from 1917-1921. This collection contains scrapbooks pertaining to the suffrage movement in Arkansas.

Cole Family Letters. [MS.000128]

Born in Mississippi in 1850, Mary E. Cole later lived in Hamburg, Ashley County until her death in 1893. The Cole family papers consist of photocopies of letters chiefly from Mary E. Cole of Malvern, Arkansas, to her brother and sister-in-law, William Martin and Mary Jane Cole, of Saint Petersburg, Florida, between 1887 and 1892.

Council of Defense. [MS.000490]

This collection contains folders and cards pertaining to female employees and the Women's Committee on the Council of Defense.

David Crockett Walt Papers. [MS.000384]

Born in Shelby County, Tennessee, David Crockett Walt moved to Wabbaseka, Arkansas, in 1884. He was married to Caralie Bridgers and then later to Hatty Woodruff Bell and worked as doctor in cancer treatment. This collection includes correspondence of both Caralie and Hatty.

Dewoody Family Collection [MS.000346]

W.L. Dewoody was a pharmacist and the dean of Arkansas Druggists. He was married to Mary Sorrells Dewoody of Warren. She was a graduate of Hamilton Female College in Lexington, Kentucky. This collection includes Mary's correspondence and legal material.

Earle-Ward Family Collection [MS.000055]

The Earle-Ward family was from Crittenden County. This collection includes the correspondence of Cynthia Earle-Ward and Julia Ward Miller and a Civil War diary kept by Cynthia Earle-Ward.

El Dorado Pan Hellenic Association Records. [MS.000100]

The El Dorado Pan Hellenic Association was organized in the 1920s by women who had belonged to college sororities. They raised money for scholastically qualified girls to go to college. The association went out of existence in the early 1960s. This collection contains correspondence, loan forms, cancelled checks, receipts, account records, and other miscellaneous items.

Francis Potter Neal Papers. [MS.000198]

Frances Potter was a teacher who was born in Strong, Union County, Arkansas, in 1905. She began teaching in the El Dorado public schools in 1924 and served as school librarian in Warren from 1941- 1947. In 1947 she became circulation and reference librarian at the Arkansas Library Commission. This collection contains correspondence, awards, reports, and published materials.

George B. Rose Papers. [MS.000172]

George B. Rose was born in Batesville on July 10, 1860. He received his education at St. John's College in Little Rock, studied law under his father, and was admitted to the bar in 1879. In 1881, he went into partnership with his father. Their firm eventually became the Rose Law firm. This collection contains personal and business papers of George B. Rose and his mother, Margaret T. Gibbs Rose. Papers include correspondence, bank statements, invoices, receipts, and essays.

George Lehman Hines Family Collection. [MS.00081]

George Lehman Hines, an ex-slave, worked for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad. He married Hattie Guy. This collection contains correspondence, legal documents, photographs, and printed materials belonging to the George Lehman Hines family, including Hattie Hines and Florence Hines Mattison, daughter of George and Hattie Hines.

Goodrich Family Papers. [MS.000069]

Ralph Leland Goodrich was born in 1836 in Owego, New York. He taught school and owned a bar in Little Rock. This collection consists of material from the Goodrich, Hankins, Churchill, and Calef families and includes correspondence of female family members, United Daughters of the Confederacy documents and miscellaneous items.

Hail-McAdams Family Papers. [Ms.000080]

The Hail-McAdams family lived in Lawrence County and later in Batesville. Stevadson Allen Hail established the Hail Dry Goods Company in Batesville in 1879. The collection includes diaries and correspondence kept by female family members.

Hanger Family Papers [MS.000126]

Peter Hanger came to Arkansas in 1834, settling in Little Rock in 1848. He married Matilda Cunningham who was the daughter of a Little Rock mayor. The family home at 1010 Scott Street in Little Rock is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The collection includes correspondence, manuscripts, organizational material, printed ephemera, scrapbooks and miscellaneous material pertaining to female family members.

Hazel Craig Jordan Papers. [MS.000347]

Hazel Craig Jordan was born on March 17, 1908, in Strong, Union County, Arkansas. She was employed for 35 years in the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service and later served as Home Demonstration Agent in Howard County and Miller County and Northwest Arkansas. The collection contains correspondence, publications, newspaper clippings, school yearbooks, student directories, and programs from events at Agricultural and Mechanical College, Magnolia, and the University of Arkansas.

Hazel Retherford Papers. [MS.000643]

Hazel Linam Retherford, born January 22, 1906, was a teacher in Arkansas schools for twenty years. During that time she taught at both the Jerome and Rohwer Japanese relocation centers. This collection contains correspondence, drawings, photos, a scrapbook, and other material.

Home Demonstration Club Scrapbooks. [MS.000654]

Home Demonstration Clubs were established in the first half of the 20th century under the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These clubs provided home demonstration work for women, teaching them improved methods in housekeeping and encouraging women to improve their living conditions. This collection contains scrapbooks with photographs, documents, printed ephemera, correspondence, newspapers, and newsletters.

Hotze Family Papers. [MS.000167]

Peter Hotze settled in Little Rock in 1857. He worked in a cotton and general merchandise business. His daughters belonged to various civic organizations in Arkansas. The collection includes correspondence, materials from women's civic organizations, sheet music, postcards, and other miscellaneous materials.

Huffman-Quertermous Papers. [MS.00089]

Annie Huffman was married Virgil A. Quertermous and they lived in Arkansas County and had two children, Emmett and Louise. This collection contains correspondence from various members of the Huffman-Quertermous family as well as postcards, greeting cards, newspaper clippings, a scrapbook, and newspapers.

Ila Upchurch, Jeanes Teacher Project Collection. [MS.000551]

Ila Dedia Upchurch, a Jeanes Teacher Project supervisor in Prescott, attended Okolona Industrial Institute in Okolona, Mississippi; Shorter College in North Little Rock; and the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. She was the only supervisor in Nevada County and served for 25 years. This collection contains photocopies of applications, programs, minutes, reports, photographs, correspondence, articles, and printed material concerning the work and service of Jeanes teachers in the South.

John Henry Roberson and Family Papers. [MS.000469]

John Henry Roberson, born in White County, was known to baseball fans as "Rube Robinson." Roberson married Dorothy Lee Latture on December 28, 1912. She worked for the School Instruction Association which later became the Parent Teacher Association. The collection includes two scrapbooks related to Dorothy's career with the Parent Teacher Association and her work as an assistant probation officer.

John N. and Harriett Woodruff Jabine Papers. [MS.000383]

Harriet was born January 31, 1836, in Little Rock, Arkansas, the daughter of Arkansas Gazette founder William E. Woodruff and Jane Mills Woodruff. She was active in clubs including the

Aesthetic Club, the Pulaski County Association of Arkansas Pioneers, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. This collection includes Harriet's correspondence.

Ladies Benevolent Association Records. [MS.000321]

The Ladies Benevolent Association of Little Rock was incorporated in 1875 for the purpose of helping the afflicted and helpless, feeding the hungry, and bringing practical aid and relief to the poor and needy. This collection contains papers from 1875-1894 and includes incorporation papers, letters, financial notes, and an account ledger with entries from 1880-1894.

Lakeview Resettlement History Project Papers. [MS.000595]

Located in Lakeview, Arkansas, the Lakeview Resettlement Project of the Farm Security Administration (FSA) was one of sixteen Arkansas farm resettlement sites planned and developed by the United States Resettlement Administration during the Depression. It opened with ninety-two African American farmers and their families. The collection includes oral history interviews with women involved in the project.

Lee and Myrtle Weeks Hatch Papers. [MS.000258]

Lee and Myrtle Weeks Hatch lived in Howard County, Arkansas, near Nashville. This collection includes Myrtle's correspondence, poems written by Myrtle and songs and poems collected by Myrtle.

Lina Vandergrift Dennison Cherry Collection [MS.000059]

Lina was born in 1872 in Little Rock. She actively participated in local community, social, and church organizations. The collection contains correspondence, family histories, ledgers, publications, and materials relating to the numerous ancestral societies of which Lina Cherry was a member.

Lola Dunnavant Papers. [MS.000115]

Lola Alice Dunnavant was born October 27, 1900, in Des Arc, Arkansas. She was the school librarian at Little Rock Central High School during the integration crisis of 1957 and wrote an eye-witness account of her experience during that time. The collection contains Lola's typed and handwritten account of the Central High School integration crisis of 1957 and includes land records of the Dunnavant family in Prairie County as well as legal documents, bank statements bills, and tax records.

Loughborough Papers. [MS.000232]

Louise Loughborough served as the first chairperson of the Arkansas Territorial Restoration in Little Rock. This collection includes correspondence, newsclippings, leaflets, certificates, and financial papers.

Marion Reed Biddle Papers. [MS.000397]

Marion Reed Biddle was born in Heber Springs in 1919. She joined the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in 1942. After the war, she worked as a baker and cook. This collection contains a diary and correspondence of Marion Reed Biddle with her mother, sisters, brother, and husband.

Mary Elizabeth Advent Richardson Papers. [MS.00142]

Mary Elizabeth Richardson was an early settler of DeValls Bluff, Arkansas. She was originally from Memphis, Tennessee. This collection contains three diaries, a transcription of a diary, and a book of poetry.

Mary Medearis Papers. [MS.000146]

Born in North Little Rock, Mary Medearis is the author of the autobiographical novel, Big Doc's Girl and Washington, Arkansas: History of the Southwest Trail. She became the founding director of the Southwest Arkansas Regional Archives. This collection includes a typescript copy of Big Doc's Girl, a scrapbook, an issue of Redbook containing the novel, and the Saturday Review of Literature, Deep South Issue.

Midwife Reports, Division of Maternal and Child Health, Arkansas State Board of Health. [MS.000513]

Beginning in the 1920s in Arkansas, midwives were required to register their names, which would be listed in a directory of midwives from each county, and encouraged to obtain a permit. The collection includes directories of midwives, permits issued to midwives, and midwife reports.

Mrs. Victor Keen Collection [MS.000220]

Mrs. Victor Keen was born in Dallas, Texas. Her mother, Dr. Ota Maco Chasteen Armstrong, was the first woman to graduate from medical school in Arkansas in 1916. This collection contains books, photographs, maps, autograph albums, printed ephemera, poems, crocheted items and other miscellaneous material.

National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Records. [MS.000608]

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) is a lineage-based membership organization of women. It was founded on October 11, 1890, and incorporated by a Congressional charter in 1896. This collection includes lineage books with numbers and genealogies of NSDAR members, magazines presenting messages from the society's President General, articles on historical events, and news from different departments of the NSDAR.

Nettie Holmes Lyon Papers [MS.000234]

Nettie A. Holmes Lyon was born in Arkansas around 1875. Her father was a state representative of Perry County, a state senator from the Tenth District, (Pulaski and Perry County), and in the General Assemblies of 1883, 1885, 1891, and 1893. This collection consists of photographs, newspapers and newsclippings, magazines and other publications, an 1863 Bible, and other miscellaneous material.

O'Neill Family Papers. [MS.000957]

John O'Neill and his family came to Arkansas in 1834 and settled on Ten Mile Creek, west of present-day Monticello. The collection includes correspondence, newsclippings and literary productions pertaining to female O'Neill family members.

Reichardt-Hoeltzel Collection. [MS.000421]

Edward Reichardt was a retail grocer in Little Rock. A member of the City Council, he also served as director of the Little Rock Cotton and Produce Exchange. He married Pauline Brandt Reichardt. They had four children, including daughter, Eva. The collection includes Pauline's and Eva's correspondence, Eva's autograph book, diaries, announcements, invitations, material pertaining to clubs and organizations, legal documents, scrapbooks, newspaper clippings and printed material.

Rice Family Collection. [MS.000181]

Kathryn Louis Donham and James Horner Rice, Jr., were married in Little Rock. Rice was a banker at Worthen Bank and Trust and First Commercial Bank in Little Rock. The collection includes Kathryn's personal papers, scrapbooks, photographs, and club yearbooks.

Roscoe Green Jennings Papers. [MS.000131]

Roscoe Green Jennings was a practicing physician in Little Rock in the latter half of the nineteenth century and a founder of UAMS. He was married to Gertrude Elizabeth Elliott, a native of Camden. The collection includes correspondence from various female members.

Ruth McCall Scrapbook. [MS.000342]

Ruth McCall was born in Little Rock in 1917. She worked for the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce and later Traveler's Insurance. The collection contains Ruth's personal, educational, and professional development in Little Rock from 1923-1991, including newsclippings, programs, photographs, and other memorabilia.

Sarah Mizelle Morgan Collection. [MS.000153]

Sarah was a Little Rock writer who served as poet laureate for the Arkansas Chapter of the Grand Order of the Eastern Star and wrote newspaper articles during the 1940s for the Arkansas Democrat and Arkansas Gazette. This collection contains Arkansas Gazette and Arkansas Democrat newspaper articles, sheet music written by Dr. J.J. Livingston, poetry anthologies, and five pamphlets printed by the Arkansas Poets' Roundtable.

Sara Shoemaker Papers. [MS.000644]

Born in Lamar County, Texas, in 1918, Sarah was a graduate of University of Arkansas and later lived in Little Rock with her husband. She was a member of the DAR. This collection contains photos with other members of the DAR, DAR Arkansas state yearbooks, programs, Gilbert Marshall Chapter yearbooks, documents, and newspaper clippings.

Sarah Stillwell Huffman Papers. [MS.000104]

Sarah "Sallie" Stillwell was born in Little Rock and lived most of her life in Arkansas County. Her father, Joseph Stillwell, was a law partner of Absalom Fowler. This collection contains Sarah's diary (original and typed transcript) and a scrapbook of clippings and family memorabilia kept by Sarah and other members of the Stillwell family during the 1890s.

Thelma Matlock Allen Papers. [MS000020]

Thelma Nettie Matlock was born in De Roche, Hot Spring County and grew up in Donaldson, and later moved to Okolona in Clark County. This collection contains personal items and postcards collected by Thelma Matlock Allen.

Thelma Neighbors Halliburton Papers. [MS.000502]

Thelma was born in Hot Spring County and lived in North Little Rock for many years. She worked for the Army Corps of Engineers and a member of the DAR, the UDC and the Arkansas Pioneers Association. This collection contains genealogical research material assembled by Thelma Neighbors Halliburton. It includes correspondence, pedigree charts, and notes.

United Daughters of 1812 Records. [MS.000606]

The United States Daughters of 1812 was founded in 1892 as a women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving documents and relics pertaining to the history of the American people, marking historical sites, learning about life between the end of the American Revolution and the end of the War of 1812. Arkansas's first chapter was organized in Little Rock in 1908. This collection contains membership records and a scrapbook of information about the local chapter of the United States Daughters of 1812.

Utley Family Papers. [MS.000160]

Joseph Simeon Utley was born in Greenbrier and married Vivian Rockwood Williams. Joseph was an attorney. They had several children, including Georgia Fentem and Ruth Beales. This collection includes correspondence, short stories, plays, poetry, block prints, and other artwork by Vivian Williams Utley and her daughters, Georgia Fentem Utley and Ruth Beale Utley.

Virginia L. Gray Letter. [MS.000113]

Virginia was from Little Rock. From 1872 to 1874, she wrote a letter in journal form to her brother, Raymond C. Davis of Cushing, Maine. Evidence suggests that the serial letter was not mailed sequentially, but kept together and mailed as one. This collection consists of three volumes, bound in gilt-edged brown crushed morocco.

Wassell Family Papers. [MS.000201]

Bettie Wassell, wife of Samuel Wassell, was involved in the suffrage movement in Arkansas and was the first female juror in the state. She was involved in numerous women's organizations. This collection includes personal correspondence, narratives, speeches, women's suffrage correspondence, papers for the United Daughters of the Confederacy, United States Daughters of 1812, newsclippings, and other miscellaneous material.

Weaver-Field Collection [MS.000238]

Mary Eliza Weaver was married to Benjamin Johnson Field. The Weaver and Field families lived together at Number 311, East 6th Street in Little Rock. This collection contains correspondence, broadsides, magazines, manuscripts, newsclippings, artifacts, books, telegraphic bulletins, theatre programs, and newspapers collected by the Weaver and Field families.

Wilson-Code Sisters: An Oral History Interview. [MS.000558]

Kate Wilson-Code Thomas was born about 1901, and her sister Marguerite Wilson, born about 1903. They were both long-time school teachers in Hot Springs who influenced the lives of many African American students. The project contains the audio cassette and transcript of an

oral history interview with Hazel Richardson of Tulsa, Oklahoma, the step-daughter of Kate Wilson-Code Thomas.

Willson-Harkey Family Papers. [MS.000617]

Mary Leah Wilson was born in Dardanelle. She graduated from Ouachita Baptist College and later attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. She and her husband, Opal Noils Harkey, later lived in Conway where they operated a number of retail businesses, including a women's clothing store. This collection contains photographs, news clippings, business records, correspondence, publications, and scrapbooks from the personal and professional files of Mary Leah Harkey and information related to her tenure as superintendent of the Arkansas Confederate Home in Little Rock.

Women's Professional Basketball Collection. [MS.000646]

Before the Women's National Basketball Association, women professional basketball players barnstormed the country playing and often defeating men's teams. Arkansas had numerous teams from the 1930s until the 1980s that helped lay the foundation for the creation of the Women's National Basketball Association. This collection contains programs, tickets, schedules, photographs, correspondence, printed ephemera, diaries and oral histories with former players.

Woodruff Family Papers. [MS.000385]

William E. Woodruff, Sr., was a newspaper publisher, land agent, businessman, and elected official as well as one of Arkansas's earliest and most influential pioneers. This collection includes correspondence, a diary, financial documents, speeches, essays, certificates and miscellaneous material from Woodruff female family members.

Works Progress/Projects Administration. [MS.000567]

The WPA was the largest and most ambitious of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal agencies. It began its official work in Arkansas on July 8, 1935, taking over from the Arkansas Emergency Relief Administration (ERA). This collection consists of correspondence, reports, interviews, and publications relating to Arkansas, its records and its people.

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American Medical Association Woman's Auxiliary Letter [SMC.47.1]

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Arkansas Girls State - Camp Robinson - June 1961 [VFHC 0332]

Bernie Babcock [VFHC 0668]

Carrie Nation [VFHC 0960]

Donna Axum, Miss America [VFHC 2031]

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Future Homemakers of America 1966 [VFHC 2489]

Hattie W. Caraway [VFHC 2813]

Hillary Rodham Clinton [VFHC 2935]

Joycelyn Elders [VFHC 7352]

League of Women Voters: Pulaski County [VFHC 3949]

Lily Peter [VFHC 4036]

Maude Duncan [VFHC4318]

Melba Patillo Beals [VFHC 7075]

Minnijean Brown Trickey [VFHC 7074]

Nell Powell Wright [VFHC4619]

Ours: A Woman's Newspaper [VFHC 4754]

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Rosetta Tharpe [VFHC 5293, 7576]

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Shirley Abbott [VFHC 5503]

Who's Who of Arkansas Women [VFHC 7642]

Woman's Christian Temperance Union [VFHC 7094]

Women Employees, State Department [VFHC 0086]

Women in Law [VFHC 7650]

Woman's Missionary Society: Hot Springs, Arkansas [VFHC 7137]

Women and Work, Educational Workshops [VFHC 6418]

Women of Achievement [VFHC 6421]

Women: Arkansas Pioneers [VFHC 6423]

Women's Emergency Committee [VFHC 6424]

Women's Exchange of Little Rock [VFHC 6511]

Women's History Institute [VFHC 6425]

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Women's Suffrage: Newsclippings 1917-1924 [VFHC 7658]

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World War II: Women's Army Corps (WACS) [VFHC 6444]

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Lawrence County Confederate pension records. [MSNE.0007]

Following the end of the Civil War, a pension fund was created for veterans and their widows. In this collection of county records, eligibility and payments to veterans or their widows are detailed.

Billie Jewel Colbert papers. [MSNE.0008]

All three of the Colbert brothers enlisted to fight in World War II. Billie was the only one who didn't come home. He died in combat in France after the invasion at Normandy. This collection has letters from Billie to his parents as well as documentation of Billie's mother dealing with his affairs after his death.

Lawrence County mothers pension records. [MSNE.0009]

In the early 20th Century, social programs were initiated by state and federal government. One such program was enacted in Arkansas to give assistance to single mothers. These records track eligibility and payments to women who applied to the program.

Methodist Episcopal Church records. [MSNE.0039]

The Methodist Episcopal Church in Portia, Arkansas had an active Ladies' Aid Society. Female members of the church met every month and donated money to cover costs of the church as well as to members of the community in need.

Charles A Stuck papers. [MSNE.0043]

Charles A. Stuck compiled an extensive genealogy of his family from Arkansas going back to mid-17th century Germany and England as part of his application to the Sons of the American

Revolution. Included are correspondence, photographs, census information, marriage records, and stories related to female family members.

Jeffie Hibler papers. [MSNE.0053]

This collection contains the diary of Jeffie Hibler in which she compiled poems, stories, and recipes from about 1874 to 1895.

Lawrence County Probate records. [MSNE.0054]

These records can relate to adoptions, guardianships, insanity, or estates. Most commonly, it is the administration of the estate of a deceased person. Records date from 1814 to 1952.

Northeast Arkansas Music Clubs records. [MSNE.0068]

The Treble Clef Club was formed in 1906 to promote and develop musical talent in the community. In 1927, a similar club called the Nocturne was formed. These groups operated in parallel for nearly 75 years before the Nocturne club was folded into the Treble Clef. These records contain programs, event material, meeting minutes, scrapbooks, and more documenting the two music clubs.

Lawrence County Court records. [MSNE.0070]

Civil, criminal, and chancery court cases are all present in this collection dating from 1814 to 1964 as indexed so far. These records are from the Powhatan courthouse in Lawrence County.

Lawrence County Circuit Court records. [MSNE.0075]

Civil, criminal, and chancery court cases are all present in this collection dating from 1887 to 1954 as indexed so far. These records are out of the Walnut Ridge courthouse in Lawrence County.

Arkansas United Methodist conference journals. [MSNE.0084]

The United Methodist Church was created on April 23, 1968, when The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church united to form a new denomination. For over 50 years, this denomination has ordained women.

National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century. [SMCNE.2.0001]

Formed in 1914, the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century (NSCDXVIIC) is a private organization that works to preserve historical records and sites, foster interest in colonial times, and promote education. This collection contains two member rosters, one member directory, and one list of member's ancestors for the National Society Colonial Dames XVII.

Perrin family papers. [SMCNE.2.0005]

Chloe Justus Perrin lived and taught in Randolph County in the 1940s and 1950s. Her husband, Henley Perrin, served in the army during World War II and her son, Tony Perrin, is a long time employee of Arkansas State Parks.

Photographs

Tom McDonald records [MSNE.0076]

Mr. Tom McDonald donated his life's work as a photographer in Jonesboro from 1965 until 2011. He did studio, wedding, and portrait photography.

Hill/Hall Family photographs [PHONE00001 – PHONE00108]

Raney Family photographs [PHONE00112 – PHONE00275]

Poinsett County Fair Queen Kay Benham [PHONE00303]

Glenda James, Clover Bend, Salutatorian [PHONE00325]

Patricia Choat, Valedictorian, Jonesboro, Holy Angels Academy [PHONE00338]

Ann Bishop, Valedictorian, Jonesboro [PHONE00339]

Donna Locke, Valedictorian, Cash [PHONE00341]

Sara Matthews, FFA Sweetheart [PHONE00365]

Shirley Lakey, Valedictorian, Bono High School [PHONE00370]

Nancy Cunningham, Wynne, Queen at ASC [PHONE00392]

Lena McCarroll, Valedictorian, Black Rock [PHONE00402]

Wanda Jones, Valedictorian, Walnut Ridge High School [PHONE00463] Deanna Allgier, Miss Jonesboro 1956 [PHONE00471]

Mary Lee Bearden, FHA Federation President [PHONE00485]

Mrs. Demetra Barton, formerly on city council, speaks up at the forum. [PHONE00525]

Girl Scouts: Donna Hoag, Mellinda Porter, Camille Volkomen, Mary Jo McNair, Jackie Wilson, Susanne Groce [PHONE00536]

Betty Cole, Salutatorian, Hoxie [PHONE00546]

Wava Jean Craft, Valedictorian, Brookland [PHONE00550] Virginia Banter, Salutatorian, Nettleton [PHONE00636]

Nursing Staff: Betty Hammil, Mrs. Cleo Hooker, Alma Gaskin [PHONE00700]

Mrs. J.M. McKie and kindergarten class [PHONE00820]

Vertical Files

Lois E. Jones [VFNE0056]

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Penn-Lafferny Family [VFNE0131]

Raney Family [VFNE0137]

Jeffery Family [VFNE0142]

Emily Childers [VFNE0163]

Civil War: 1863 Indigent Soldiers' Families [VFNE0190]

Marcia Neta Belle Million [VFNE0201]

Marchbanks family [VFNE0215]

Ethel Cunningham [VFNE0218]

Wendy Richter [VFNE0220]

Grigsby family [VFNE0234]

Phillips family [VFNE0235]

Riddle family [VFNE0282]

Bates family [VFNE0315 – VFNE0320]

Adam Ritchey and Agnes Bolton descendants [VFNE0321]

Huntsville Female College [VFNE0335]

Greener Pastures: Green Pryor Dean & Elizabeth Tennessee Phillips Dean [VFNE0343] 1832: John Rice v Sarah Rice Petition for Divorce [VFNE0352]

Milligan Family History [VFNE0361]